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Mitsugu Sato, et al.

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For: CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM  
ALIGNMENT METHOD AND CHARGED  
PARTICLE BEAM APPARATUS

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**AMENDMENT**

MS Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Responsive to the Office Action dated June 3, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.